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FM AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES

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INFO AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: ELAB MZ

SUBJ: BRIEF TRAIN STRIKE IN LOURENCO MARQUES

1. ON MARCH 28 ENGINE CREWS AND PERHAPS STATION STAFF ( MOSTLY WHITE) ON LOURENCO MARQUES LINE WALKED OFF JOB TO PROTEST ALLEGED NONPAYMENT OF OVERTIME SINCE LAST JANUARY. FOLLOWING DAY SOME 30 FREIGHT TRAINS WERE CANCELLED BECAUSE OF REFUSAL OF ENGINECREWS TO RUN THEM, BUT MEN BACK AT WORK MARCH 30. ACCORDING ONE REPORT LARGE BUT PEACEFUL GROUP OF EIGINECREWS TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO MEET WITH PORTS AND RAILWAYS ( CFM) DIRECTOR TEIXEIRA, AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY TOLD BY LOWER LEVEL SPOKESMAN THAT IF THEY PERSISTED IN STRIKE THEY WOULD BE DISMISSED AND REPLACED BY AFRICANS.

2. PORTS SPOKESMAN DENIES THAT PORT CRANE OPERATORS ALSO WENT OUT MARCH 28, AS SOME LOCAL REPORTS HAVE IT, BUT ADMITS THEY ASKING FOR REVISION OF WAGE AGREEMENT SIGNED LAST YEAR.

3. LARGE MEETING BETWEEN PORTS AND RAILWAYS REPRESENTATIVES  
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AND WORKER DELEGATIONS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 4 IN ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS. HOWEVER, CFM REPORTEDLY MEETING DEMANDS

IN FULL TO PREVENT AGGRAVATION OF SITUATION AND DRAWING OF  
PUBLIC ATTENTION. USUAL PRESS SILENCE OBSERVED IN MOZAMBIQUE  
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